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PROJECT CEASEFIRE
**TWO MOUNTAIN GROVE MEN INDICTED
FOR ILLEGAL FIREARMS**

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Bradley J. Schlozman, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that two Mountain Grove, Mo., men have been indicted by a federal grand jury today, in separate and unrelated cases, for federal firearms and narcotics violations.

* **Gregory Mark Germer**, 57, of Mountain Grove, was charged in a three-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield on Wednesday.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Germer** was in possession of a Winchester 12-gauge sawed-off shotgun with no visible serial number, with a barrel length of less than 11 inches and an overall length of approximately 17.5 inches, on Feb. 24, 2006, in Wright County, Mo.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Germer** was in possession of a Spesco Corporation 410-gauge shotgun, a Savage, Stevens .22-caliber rifle, and the Winchester 12-gauge sawed-off shotgun on Feb. 24, 2006, in Wright County. Under federal law, Schlozman explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Germer** has a 1996 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance for sale while armed with a firearm and a 1993 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance, both in in Solano County, Calif.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Germer** was in possession of dextropropoxyphene (a controlled substance) on Feb. 24, 2006, in Wright County.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard E. Monroe. It was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Missouri State

Highway Patrol and the Mountain Grove, Mo., Police Department.

* **Arthur Sherman Nunn**, 61, of Mountain Grove, was charged in a three-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield on Wednesday.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Nunn** was in possession of a Smith and Wesson .22-caliber revolver with an obliterated serial number and ammunition on March 5, 2006, in Wright County, Mo. Under federal law, Schlozman explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Nunn** has a 1980 federal criminal felony conviction in the Western District of Missouri for manufacturing methamphetamine.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Nunn** possessed a firearm from which the manufacturer's serial number had been obliterated – the Smith and Wesson .22-caliber revolver – on March 5, 2006, in Wright County.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Nunn** was in possession of methamphetamine on March 5, 2006, in Wright County.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard E. Monroe. It was investigated by the Mountain Grove, Mo., Police Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Schlozman cautioned that the charges contained in these indictments are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

Project Ceasefire

Project Ceasefire, launched in October 1999, is a cooperative initiative by federal and local law enforcement and the Kansas City Crime Commission that targets for federal prosecution persons who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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